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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ATHERTON

1. THE PROBLEM.

BILL SAXBE AND TIKKI KAUL HAVE BOTH REQUESTED APPOINT-MENTS TO SEE YOU. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU SEE BOTH OF THEM.

2. AMBASSADOR SAXBE RETURNED TO U.S. LAST WEEK, STOPPING BRIEFLY IN WASHINGTON BEFORE PROCEEDING TO OHIO ON PERSONAL BUSINESS. HE PLANS TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON JUNE 4-11 FOR CONSULTATIONS AND REQUESTSAPPOINTMENT WITH YOU DURING THAT PERIOD FOR REVIEW OF INDO-US RELATIONS. SINCE HIS MAY 16 DEMARCHE ON INDIAN CRITICISM, THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN INDIAN STATEMENTS AND NO SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC CRITICISM OF THE U.S. BY SENIOR INDIAN OFFICIALS. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU SEE SAXBE SOMETIME DURING THE PERIOD JUNE 4-11.

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3. INDIAN EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT FOR AMBASSADOR KAUL EITHER JUNE 18-20 OR EARLY WEEK BEGINNING JUNE 23. KAUL WILL BE RETURNING ABOUT JUNE 16 FROM LENGTHY CONSULTATIONS IN NEW DELHI. ACCORDING TO INDIAN EMBASSY, HE WILL BE CARRYING PERSONAL MESSAGE TO YOU FROM CHAVAN. THE INDIAN PRESS REPORTS THAT KAUL HAS BEEN PARTICIPATING IN EXTENSIVE REVIEW OF INDO-US RELATIONS WITH MRS. GANDHI, CHAVAN AND OTHERS. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU AGREE TO SEE HIM ESPECIALLY AS IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE. ALTERNATIVELY, YOU MAY WISH TO POSTPONE DECISION ON THE INDIAN REQUEST UNTIL AFTER YOU MEET SAXBE.

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